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Gregory Don Carroll was born in Los Angeles, California on September 23, 1970 and was the second child of Truitt Don and Martha Elizabeth Carroll. He passed away on October 7, 2024 after a short but intensive battle with renal cancer in Dexter, Missouri. Greg attended South High School in Bakersfield, California and graduated in 1988. He completed the accredited Psychiatric Technician program through Ventura College and passed the BVNPTE State Boards in 1994. Greg attended New Life Center Church in Bakersfield where he made many lifetime friends.

Greg married Kelli Rupe on August 8, 1990 in Morro Bay, California in a private ceremony. He and Kelli celebrated 34 years of marriage before his death. They were blessed with their son Tristan Carroll on February 17, 2006. During his illness Kelli provided complete care for Greg in their home, seldom leaving his side.

Greg and Kelli lived in Atascadero, California for 27 years where he worked as a Senior Psychiatric Technician at the Atascadero State Hospital an all-male maximum-security facility for 11 years until he retired in 2005. Greg enjoyed welding and worked on welding projects expressing his creativity and ingenuity.

In 2021 Greg, Kelli and their son Tristan Carroll left California on the adventure of their lives. Selling their home in Atascadero and RVing across the United States seeing the country and looking for their forever home. They spent a year and a half in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania where Greg, a diehard Pittsburgh Steelers fan all his life, attended many Steelers home games living out childhood dreams. They found their forever home in Dexter, Missouri in May 2024 and were in the process of purchasing their home situated on two beautiful acres of property when he was diagnosed with Stage 4 Clear Cell Renal Cell Carcinoma on June 15, 2024. Against all odds and with the help of angels Greg moved his family to Dexter, Missouri in July 2024 where he lived until he passed away. Greg was most proud of being a good husband and father.

Greg was preceded in death by his mother Martha Carroll of Bakersfield, California, brother-in-law Ronald Cram, nephew Brendon Cram both of Ridgecrest, California. He is survived by his wife Kelli

Carroll and son Tristan Carroll both of Dexter, Missouri, father Truitt Carroll and sister Melinda Carroll both of Bakersfield, California, sister-in-law Carrie Rupe, nephew Michael Montoya (Brielle), great niece and nephews Mila, Ezra, Luka and Shia all of San Luis Obispo, California and sister-in-law Dustee Cram and nephew Ronald Cram both of Ridgecrest, California. Greg is also survived by many aunts, uncles and cousins.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter assisted with arrangements.

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